THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) All provisions of Labour Act, Gratuity Act, Provident Fund Act, and other similar Acts which are applicable and beneficial to tea workers of tea gardens are implemented by Tea Trading Corporation of India Ltd. in respect of its tea estates after nationalisation with effect from 5-4-1985.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[*Translations*]

Compensation for Land acquired for Hema range in Mahu Cantonment

2385. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether compensation has been paid for the land acquired for army for Hema Range in Mahu Cantonment;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR) : (a) to (c) The Land Acquisition proceedings in respect of Hema Range, Mhow Cantonment, could not be completed as the Award given by the Collector, in December 1988, fixing Rs. 15,97,92, 267·50 as compensation and Rs. 3·1926 crores as rehabilitation grant, respectively, was considered excessive. Consequently, no land has been taken over for establishing the proposed Hema Range.

[*English*]

Conversion of State Highways into National Highways in Orissa

2386. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have recieved any proposal from the Government of Orissa for conversion of State Highways into National Highways; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The Government of Orissa has forwarded the following roads for inclusion in the National Highway Grid during the 8th Five Year Plan, *viz.*

Sl No.	Name of the Road	Length (in Kms)
1.	Gopalpur-Khariar-Nawapara-Raipur	480
2.	Panikoili-Keonjhar-Barbil-Koira-Rajamunda . .	220
	TOTAL . .	700 Kms

However, a decision about declaring new National Highways in various States including Orissa can be taken only after finalisation of the 8th Five Year Plan.

Varieties of cloth reserved in Handloom Sector

2387. PROF. UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have reserved manufacturing of 22 varieties of cloth to handloom sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) List of 22 reserved items is attached as Statement.